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For: HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT BOOK MANAGEMENT APPARATUS AND

HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNT BOOK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

November 22, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2002, the period for response thereto having been extended by three months to expire on November 25, 2002 (November 23, 2002 being a Saturday), by the herein enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 2 and 7 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (Twice Amended) A household account book management apparatus comprising plural input units which input a variety of account data, a processing unit which processes the inputted account data, a memory unit which stores the